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For: *Primary N-Hydroxylamines*

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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

The Commissioner for Patents
Washington, DC 20231

Dear Examiner Jones:

In response to the restriction requirement dated Feb. 12, 2003, Applicants elect Group III.

IN THE CLAIMS

Please cancel claims 1-61 and add new claims 63-131:

62. (Pending, Unamended) A method for screening for primary N-hydroxylamines which reduce oxidative damage to, or delay senescence of cells, comprising the steps of:

contacting cells with a candidate primary N-hydroxylamine under conditions whereby, but for the presence of the hydroxylamine, the cells present a reference amount of oxidative damage or senescence;

detecting post-treatment amounts of oxidative damage or senescence of the cells;

wherein a lesser amount of post-treatment than reference amounts of oxidative damage or senescence indicates that the hydroxylamine reduces oxidative damage or delays senescence of the cells.

63. (New) A method according to claim 62, wherein the cells are in an animal and the

hydroxylamine is administered to the animal in a dosage from 100ug to 1g.

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